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11. IV. Mary⁶, born July 6, 1744, died —, married 1761, Richard Bland, Jr., of "Jordans," Prince George County. It is singular that she is not named in her father's will.

12. V. Edward⁶, born Sept. 9, 1746, died Aug. 10, 1770, unmarried. His will, in which he styles himself "of Chesterfield County", was dated July 13, 1769 and proved in Amherst Co., Oct. 1st 1770. He gave his brothers Thomas and John Bolling his plantation called Falling River; to his brother Robert Bolling his plantation called Buffalo Lick on the north side of James River, and also 7 negroes; to brother Archibald Bolling his plantation called Old Town and also his warehouses at Pocahontas and lots at Bermuda Hundred; to his sister Mary Bland, a negro woman Joan and all her children except Louisa; to sister Tazewell £100; to sister Anne Bolling his negro woman Louisa; to Cousin Bolling Eldridge, a negro man; to friend Richard Kidder Meade his man Jack and rest of estate to brother Archibald.

13. VI. Sarah⁶, born June 16, 1748, died —; married Judge John Tazewell (for descendants, see Robertson's "Pocahontas and Her Descendants").

†14. VII. Archibald⁶, born March 20, 1749-50, died —; married (1) in 1770, Sarah Cary; (2) Feb. 1774, Jane Randolph; (3) Mrs. Clark, a widow.

15. VIII. Anne⁶, born Feb. 7, 1752, died —; married William Dandridge. For descendants, see Robertson's "Pocahontas and Her Descendants".

(To be continued)

THE PROBY FAMILY OF ENGLAND AND OF HAMPTON AND NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

By Charles F. McIntosh.

About five years ago I received a letter from Mrs. Philip Alexander Bruce, then residing in England, saying that in the examination of some English records, she had seen it stated that The Honorable Lord Carysfort, of Elton Hall, Peterborough, England, was a direct descendant of Sir Peter Proby, Lord Mayor of London in 1622, and she was much interested in knowing whether the Proby family of Norfolk, Virginia, was descended from the same source. She suggested that I write Lord Carysfort, inquiring if any of the members of this ancient English family had come-out to Virginia in the early days of the Colony.

Mrs. Bruce's letter found me quite ignorant concerning the Proby family of Norfolk, but aroused my interest to inquire into their history. So I began to consult local publications concerning Virginia genealogy, and was much disappointed to find only scattered references relating to Paul Proby, of Norfolk, and his descendants.

Family tradition had it that Paul Proby, was the son of Paul Proby, who was born in 1695, and married a Miss Loyall, and that Paul Junior was born in 1725, lived on Proby's Court, which runs off the West side of Church Street, between the present Charlotte and Freemason Streets.

This information led me astray, and in writing Lord Carysfort, I inquired if a certain Paul Proby of his family, had come to Virginia in or before 1695. To this letter I received the following courteous reply:

"Elton Hall
Peterborough.

April 26, 1908.

Dear Sir:—

I am afraid I cannot help you much in finding out about Paul Proby who settled in Virginia between 1625 and 1695.

I have looked carefully through the Pedigree of the family as made out by the late Sir Bernard Burke.

Sir Peter Proby Knt., of Brampton Co., Hunt., who was Lord Mayor of London in 1622, and of Elton Co., Hunt., and Raans Bucks, married a daughter of John Thoroughgood Esq., of Temple Cheston Co., Herts., and Chivers Co., Essex.

Sir Peter had 4 sons:

1. Heneage
2. Henry—died 1662.
3. Edmund—died 1676.
4. Emmanuel—died 1646.

Emmanuel had 3 sons:

Peter—

George living in 1644.

Charles living in 1684.

Charles had 2 sons:

William.

Charles, born in India was at Jesus Cambridge 1684.

The only books of reference that I can give you that will give you any information about the family, are Burke's Peerage under the head of Carysfort. Lodge's Peerage of Ireland revised by Archdale 1789. Vol. VII, page 67.

I have looked very carefully through the Pedigree and can find no one of the name of Paul Proby.

I am sorry that I am unable to help you further in your search but if I come across anything about the Probys who settled in Virginia I will write again.

Believe me,

Yrs. very faithfully,
Carysfort.

Charles Fleming McIntosh, Esq."

A comparison of the "Carysfort Family Papers", as set out in the letters received from Lord Carysfort with Burke's Peerage, discloses the following inconsistencies:

Lord Carysfort gives "Emmnauel" Proby, son of Sir Peter, Lord Mayor, only three sons; while Burke gives a fourth son: SAMUEL, of London, Merchant, and a fifth son: NATHANIEL. Burke also states, that Peter, heir, and son of "Emmanuel". was a Merchant of London, married Grace, daughter of Sir Richard Ford, (d. s. p.) his will dated 3 June and proved 21 November 1684, in which is mentioned his brother Charles. He states that William Proby, son of Charles, had a son John who had: 1. John; 2. William; "unm"; 3. Thomas; 5. Charles and 6. Baptist. He also states that Sir Peter's wife was Elizabeth, daughter of John Thoroughgood.

In Lodge's Peerage (1) of Ireland, Revised by Archdale 1789, the Proby pedigree is different from that as given by Lord Carysfort and is also different from the pedigree as given in Burke's (2) Peerage. Archdale states that Emanuel Proby married the daughter of John Bland, merchant of London.

I received other letters from Lord Carysfort (3) stating that he knew nothing further of Peter (4) and George Proby (sons of Emmanuel, son of Sir Peter, (5) Lord Mayor), but there remained a tradition, that early members of his family, had gone out to America.

These letters from Lord Carysfort prompted me to make an exhaustive search of the Court records of Norfolk County and City, Princess Anne County, and Historical and Genealogical Papers, and to collect all information possible, from descendants of Paul Proby.

In the Norfolk County Clerk's Office, was found a conveyance by Robert Waller and Mason, his wife to Peter Proby, Mariner, of Norfolk Borough, dated 1758 (of which later), and in the Norfolk Corporation Clerk's Office was found a decree stating that "Bartram" Proby, came eighteen miles, and crossed a ferry (6), to testify in a case pending in Norfolk Borough. This order suggested Hampton knowing that at this date there was a ferry plying between "Norfolk Borough" and "Hampton Towne", and it further suggested that an examination of the Elizabeth City County records might possibly result in establishing the connection

(1) Vol. VII, page 67.

(2) See page 260 of Burke's Peerage.

(3) The last letter I addressed to Lord Carysfort has lately been returned, marked "Deceased G. D."

(4) Burke's Peerage—p. 260. Under Carysfort, cites Will of Peter Proby, dated 3 June 1684—and d. s. p.

(5) Son of Randolph Proby and a Miss Bernard, his wife, and a brother of Ralph Proby, d. s. p. 1605. See Burke's Peerage p. 260.

(6) Norfolk City Corp. Clerk's Office—O. B. 14 p. 275.

between Peter, and Paul Proby, of Norfolk, with the English Probys, Peter and George.

Hence a pilgrimage to Hampton, with results beyond my most sanguine expectations, for I was aware of the fact that many of the old records had been destroyed in the "recent unpleasantness", between the States, I found however, that one Bartrand Servant, by will (1) dated 1 Nov. 1707, proved 18 Nov. 1707, named daughters Frances, George and Mary Ballard, son James Servant infant, son-in-law Francis Ballard, grandchildren, Peter Proby, Bartrand Proby, Thomas Proby, Servant Ballard, Francis Ballard, Frances George and "Rebeckah" Long. I also found that in 1693, Jane (relict) of Peter Proby, "Gent'", qualified (2) as Administratrix on his estate, with Bertrand Servant surety, and in the appraisement, of the estate is mentioned a "mare in Lower Norfolk County."

In a grant (3) from the Commonwealth of Virginia to Henry Slade, dated 26 April 1693, for land in Lower Norfolk County, the certificate accompanying the same mentions the transportation of "Peter Proby 4 times," into the Colony. In Elizabeth City County was also found the will (loose (4) leaf) of Bertrand Proby, dated 4 Nov. 1736, proved May Court 1737. It mentions: wife Sidwell (5) Proby, sons Servant John Proby, Minson Turner (6) Proby, Bertrand Thomas Proby and "Petter" Proby, daughters Mary Gilbert, "Rebeckah", Elizabeth and Jane, witnesses: James Gilbert and Servant Ballard.

(1) Will and Deed Book 1689—1699, p. 139 and 148, Eliz. City Co.

(2) Will and Deed Book 1689—1699, p. 139 and 148. Eliz. City Co.

(3) Land Office, Richmond, Va., Vol. 8, p. 311.

(4) Will Book for this year missing.

(5) Will Book of John Winterton, recorded in Eliz. City Co. dated 8 July, 1694, proved 26 July 1694, is witnessed by Sidwell Minson and John Minson.

(6) Will of Minson T. Proby, of Hampton Towne, dated 12 Dec. 1807, names wife, Margaret and gives no further information useful. Loose leaf. Will Book missing.

(To be Continued.)